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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of Andrew R. Ferlitsch *et al.*

For: Random Bit Mask By-Product File Disk Obscuring

Enclosed are also:

- ☒ five (5) sheet(s) of informal drawings.
- ☒ Declaration.
- ☒ Power of Attorney by Assignee.
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56.
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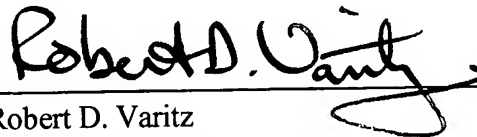
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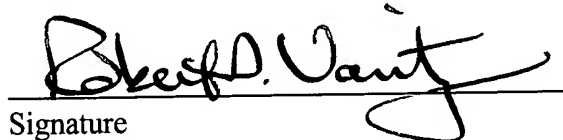
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